(i) Persons eligible under the scheme will be initially lodged in a Rehabilitation camps where they will be imparted training in a trade/vocation of their liking or benefitting their aptitude.

(ii) They are paid a monthly stipend for a period of 12 months. The stipend in respect of a surrenderee does not exceed Rs. 2000-per month. The scale of stipend for various categories of surrenderees is decided by the State Government in consultation with the Government of India.

(iii) Board and lodging at the Rehabilitation Camp is free.

The scheme envisages only assistance for self-employment training and the surrendered militants are to apply for self-employment schemes as per normal rules applicable.

The Government of Assam reported that sincere efforts have been made to rehabilitate the surrendered militants. Surrendered militants have been encouraged to engage themselves in activities relating to the agricultural sector by forming cooperatives. The Government of Assam has also identified a large chunk of Government land for allotting the same to the cooperatives formed by the surrendered militants. Total 1213 Bighas of land has already been allotted to the Cooperative formed by such surrenderees. 61 cooperatives have been formed by the surrendered militants and some of the cooperatives have been formed by the surrendered militants and some of the cooperatives have already started gainful production.

Some of the surrendered militants have also started small-scale industries like carpentry, iron-fabricating etc. and some others have started small fishery, piggery and poultry farms.

Compulsory Territorial army service for new entrants

*319. SHRIMATI N.R DURGA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal to make two months Territorial Army Service compulsory for all new Government service entrants has been finalized; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and by when this scheme is going to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (b) The Territorial Army Review Committee set up in 1995 had, *inter-alia,* recommended that recruitment in Territorial Army should be voluntary but be re-inforced by compulsory recruitment with limited liability of service for Government servants. This recommendation has been accepted by the Government. However, the modalities for implementation like duration of engagement, categories of Government employees to be inducted, their minimum service liability in Territorial Army, criteria for selection, etc. would need to be examined in consultation with the Ministries/Departments concerned and the State Governments.

Defence Production by HAL

*320. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL), despite keen interest from abroad on its products like the Advanced light Helicopter (ALH), is not able to cope up with mass production or series production of India's indigenous aero products;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the fresh steps taken by the Government to involve private companies' consortiums for mass production of these products and to enter export markets for products like ALH and LCA?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (b) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited have no firm orders from abroad for Advanced Light Helicopter Series production of these Helicopters for domestic customers is going ahead in right earnest. During 2001 -2002, seven such helicopters have been handed over to the Services. During 2002-03, it is planned to produce 11 helicopters.

(c) For involving the private sector in the process and in order to enhance production under its manufacturing plans, Hindustan Aeronautics Limited has taken steps for outsourcing components/parts from private companies.The Light Combat Aircraft (LCA) is currently in the development stage and not yet ready to enter the export market.